City of Charleston Resilience

CHARLESTON CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

CITY OF CHARLESTON RESILIENCE AGENDA

Introduction

- Opportunity to shape the future
- Science and Community
 - Doug Marcy NOAA Office for Coastal Management
 - Charleston observations and predictions
 - Cathryn Zommer Enough Pie, Executive Director

Resilience Workgroup

- Mark Wilbert Process, Categories, Results
- Tracy McKee Use of Data Resilience Storyboard
- Mark Wilbert & Katie McKain- Vulnerability Analysis

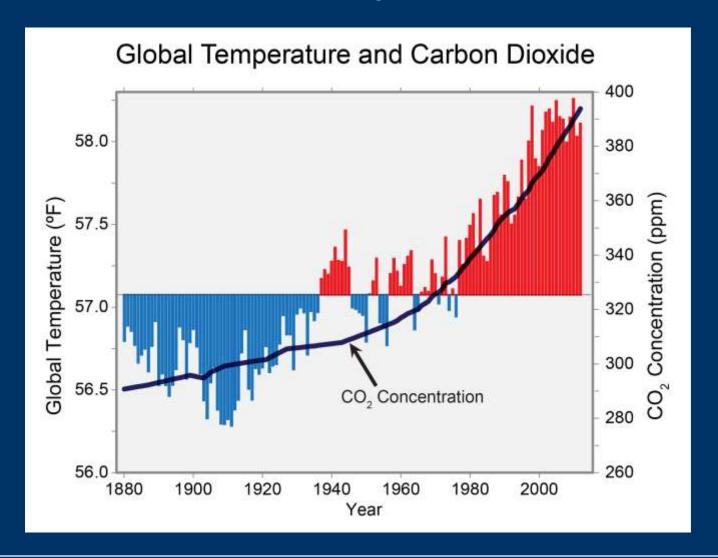
Implementation

- Laura Cabiness Infrastructure (Past, Present & Future)
- Jacob Lindsey- Land Use Planning & City's Plans
- Chiefs Tippett and Broughton adapting now and for the future

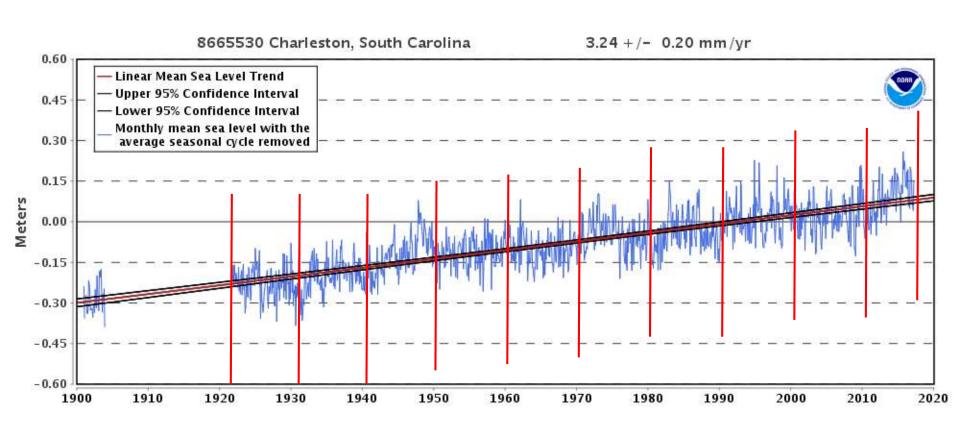
Understanding and Using Local SLR Scenarios

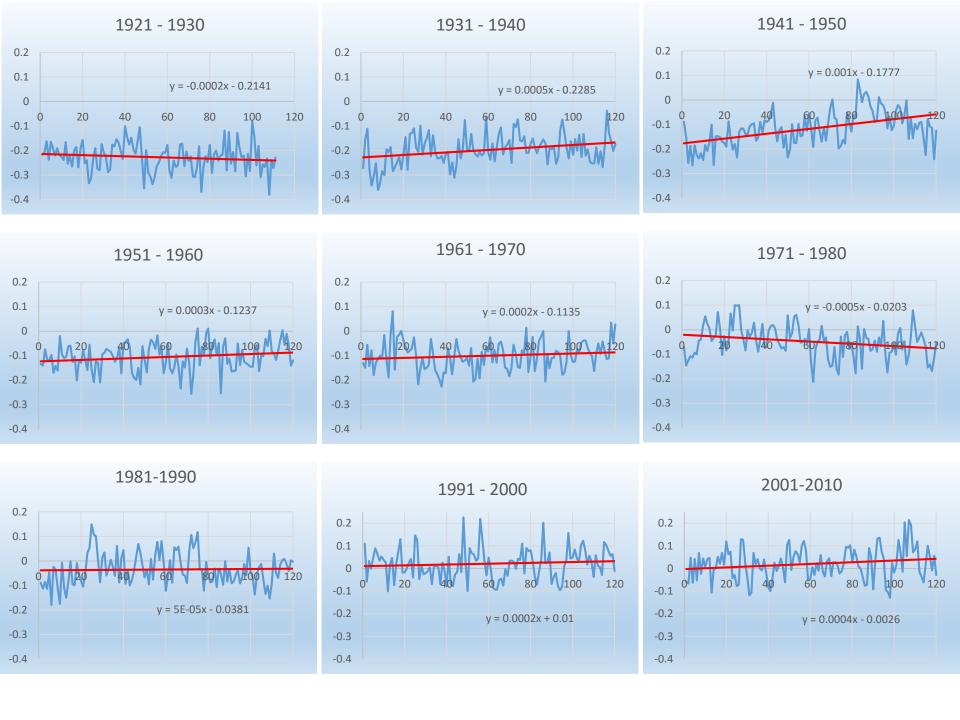
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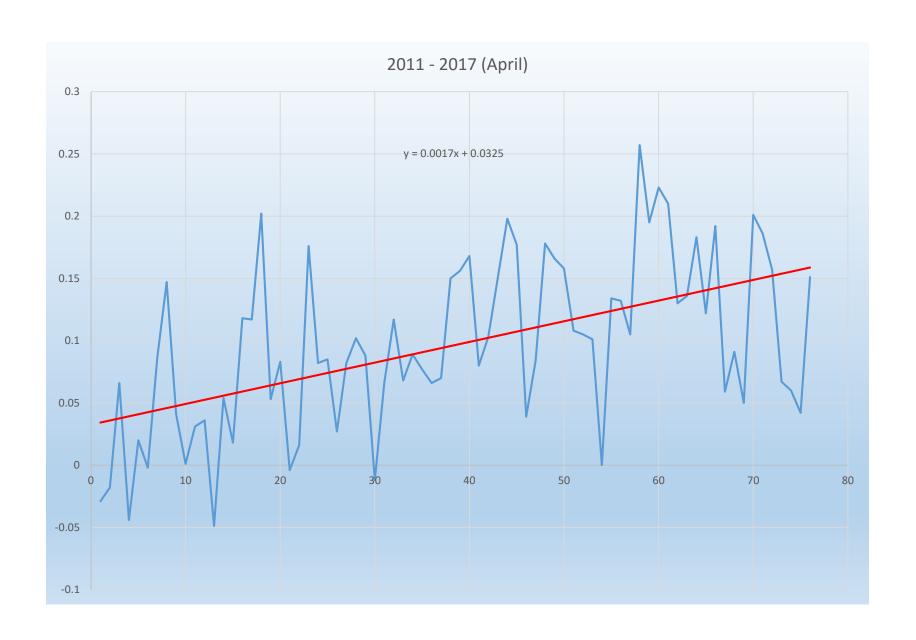
Past Global Temperature / CO²

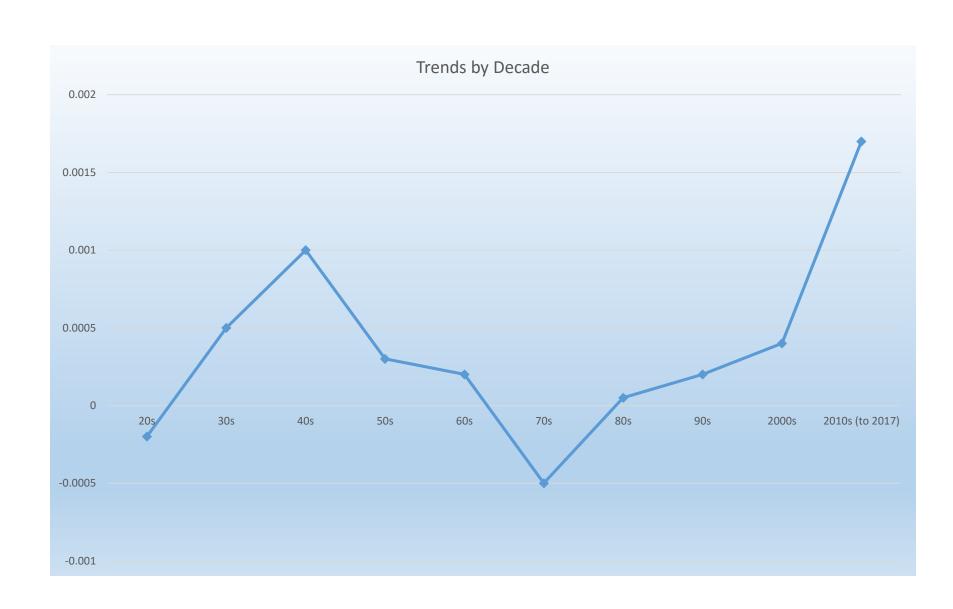


1921 – 2017 (10 year intervals)

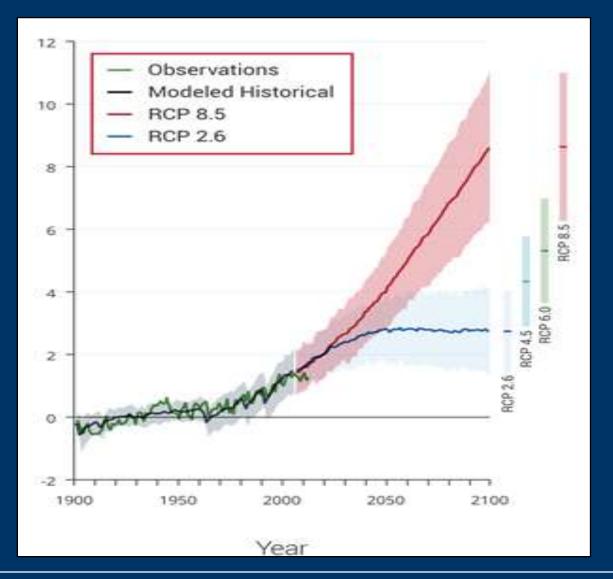




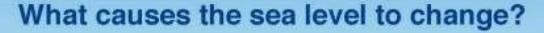


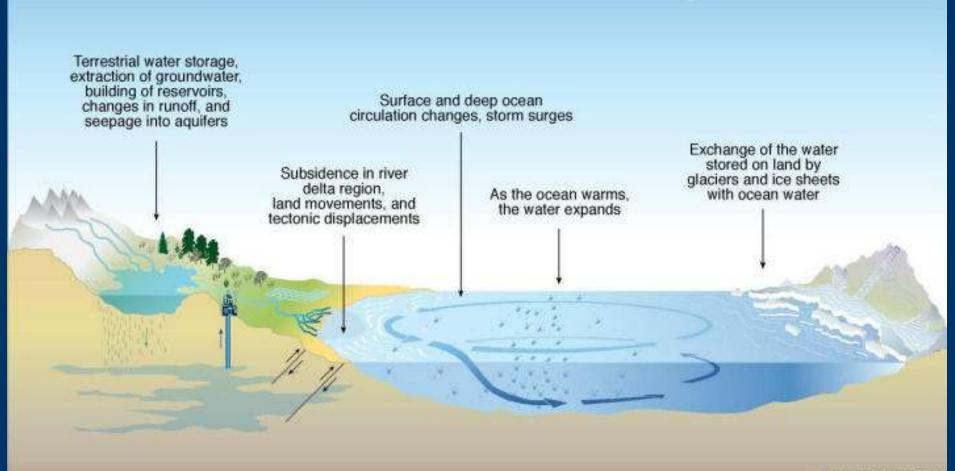


Future Temperature



Sea Level Change





Past, Present, and Future

16 Sea-Level Rise Modeling Handbook: Resource Guide for Coastal Land Managers, Engineers, and Scientists

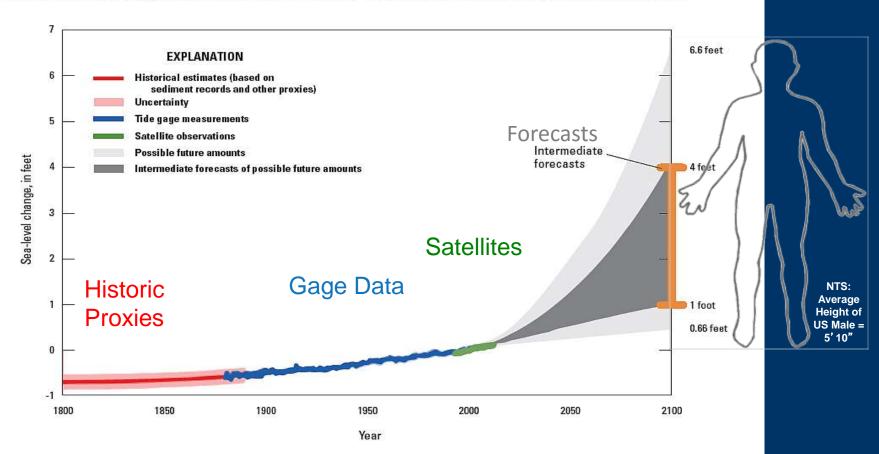
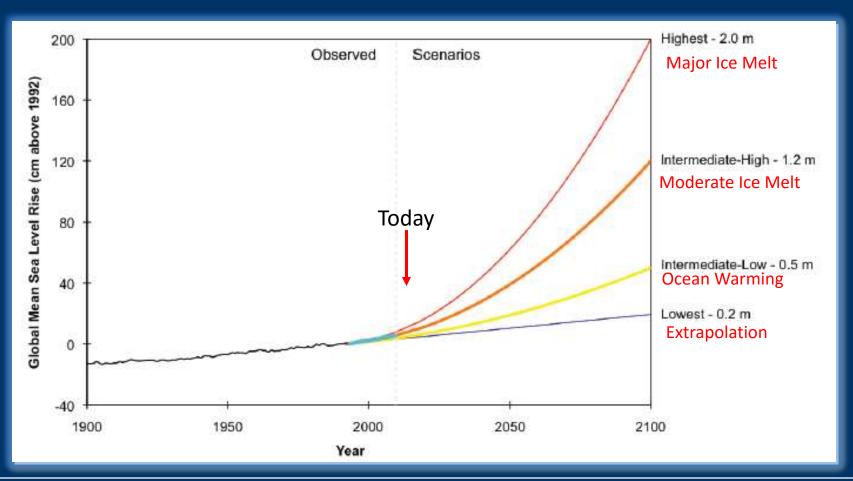


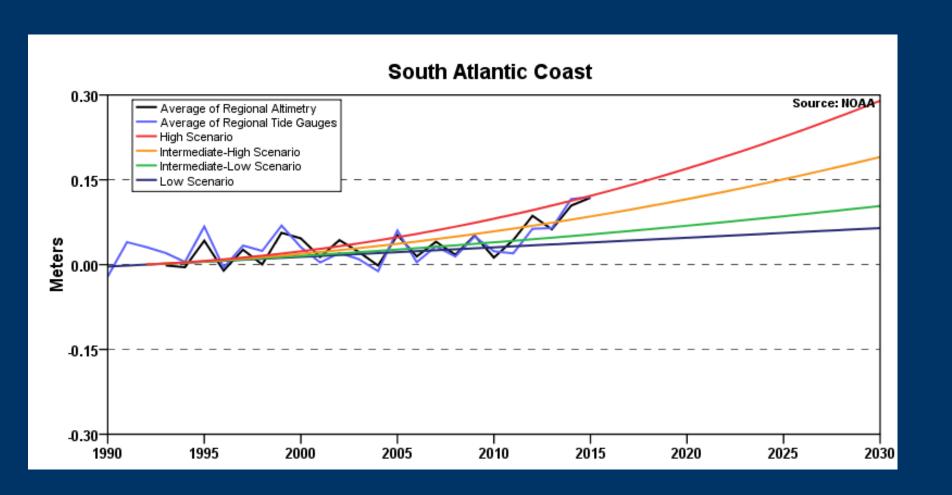
Figure 9. Historical, observed, and possible future amounts of global sea-level rise from 1800 to 2100 (from Melillo and others, 2014). Historical estimates (based on sediment records and other proxies) are shown in red (pink band shows uncertainty range), tide gage measurements in blue, and satellite observations in green.

"Consensus Scenarios" that fed the NCA 3rd Assessment

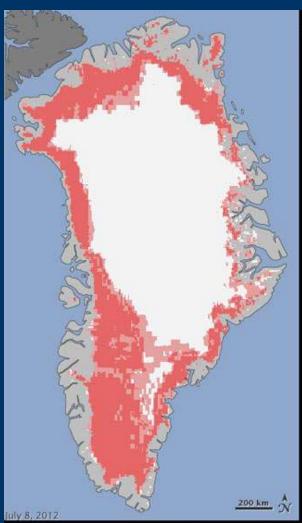
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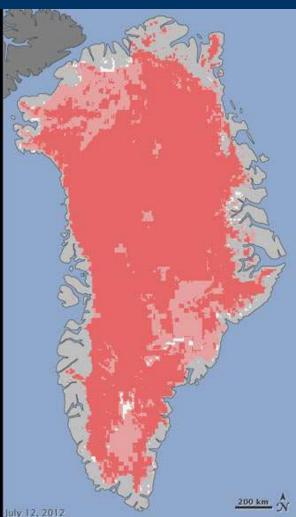


How are We Tracking?



Greatest source of uncertainty?







New Global and Regional Scenarios

https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/publications/techrpt83_Global_and_Regional_SLR_Scenarios_for_the_US_final.pdf

GMSL Scenario (meters)	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070	2080	2090	2100	2120	2150	2200
Low	0.03	0.06	0.09	0.13	0.16	0.19	0.22	0.25	0.28	0.30	0.34	0.37	0.39
Intermediate- Low	0.04	0.08	0.13	0.18	0.24	0.29	0.35	0.4	0.45	0.50	0.60	0.73	0.95
Intermediate	0.04	0.10	0.16	0.25	0.34	0.45	0.57	0.71	0.85	1.0	1.3	1.8	2.8
Intermediate- High	0.05	0.10	0.19	0.30	0.44	0.60	0.79	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.0	3.1	5.1
High	0.05	0.11	0.21	0.36	0.54	0.77	1.0	1.3	1.7	2.0	2.8	4.3	7.5
Extreme	0.04	0.11	0.24	0.41	0.63	0.90	1.2	1.6	2.0	2.5	3.6	5.5	9.7

GMSL Scenario Rates (mm/year)	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060	2070	2080	2090
Low	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Intermediate-Low	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Intermediate	5	6	7	9	10	12	13	14	15
Intermediate-High	5	7	10	13	15	18	20	22	24
High	6	8	13	16	20	24	28	31	35
Extreme	6	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	44

NOAA Technical Report NOS CO-OPS 083

GLOBAL AND REGIONAL SEA LEVEL RISE SCENARIOS FOR THE UNITED STATES



Photo: Ocean City, Marylan

Silver Spring, Maryland January 2017







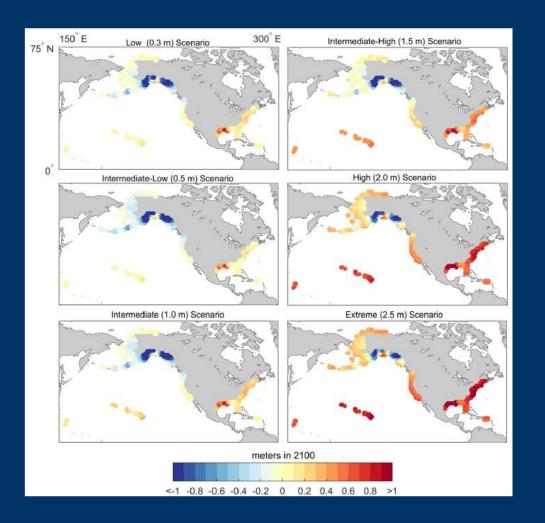


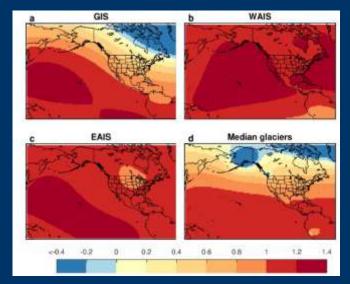
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Relative Sea Level Rise





GMSL adjusted for

- 1.) Oceanographic Factors
- 2.) Gravity Changes due to Melting Land Based Ice
- 3.) Vertical Land Movement

Probabilities Related to RCPs

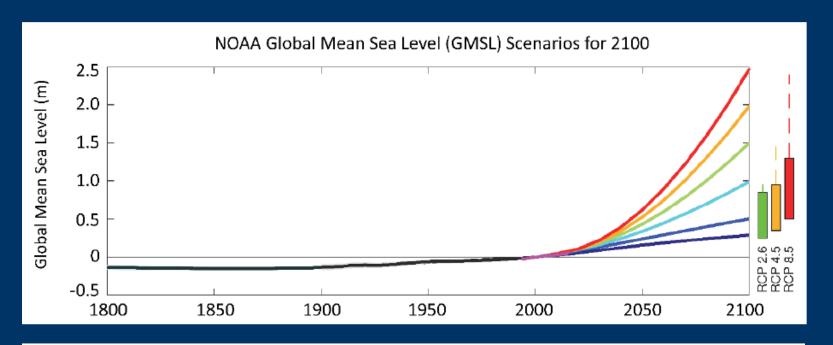
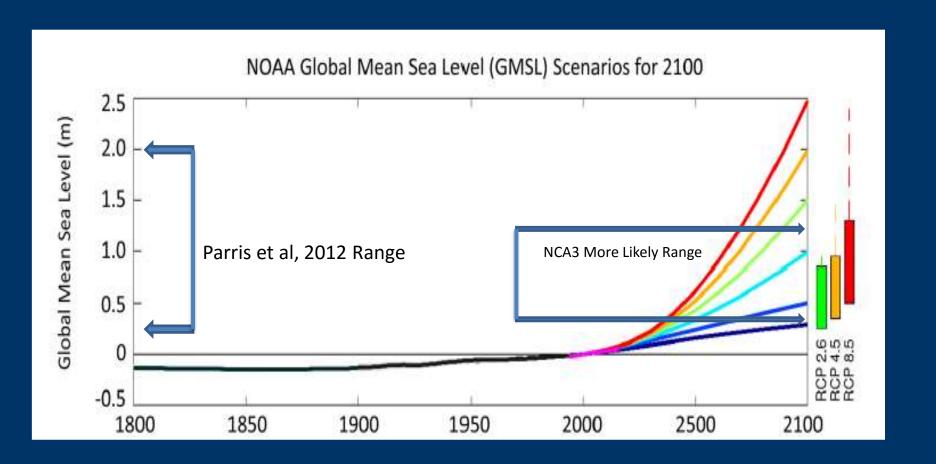


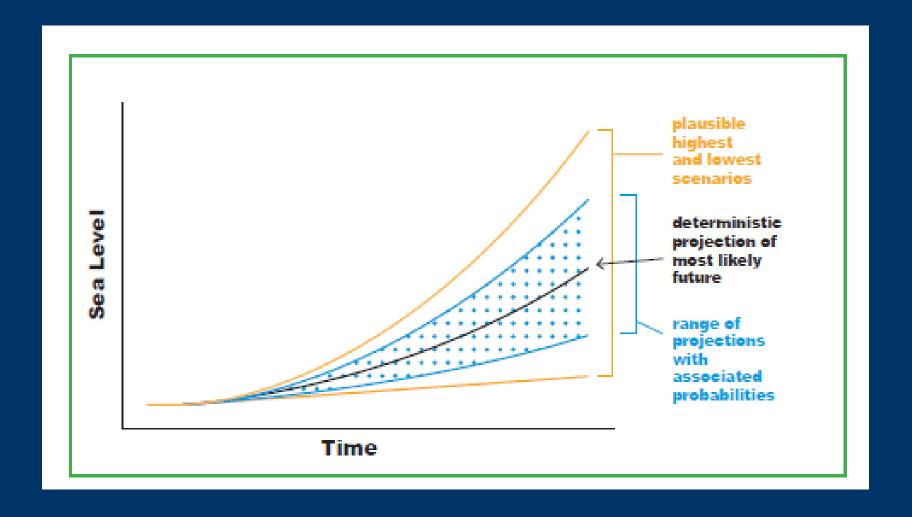
Table 4. Probability of exceeding GMSL (median value) scenarios in 2100 based upon Kopp et al. (2014).

GMSL rise Scenario	RCP2.6	RCP4.5	RCP8.5	
Low (0.3 m)	94%	98%	100%	
Intermediate-Low (0.5 m)	49%	73%	96%	
Intermediate (1.0 m)	2%	3%	17%	
Intermediate-High (1.5 m)	0.4%	0.5%	1.3%	
High (2.0 m)	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	
Extreme (2.5 m)	0.05%	0.05%	0.1%	

How Do The New Ones Compare?



Deterministic, Probabilistic, Plausible Scenarios



Previous Curves

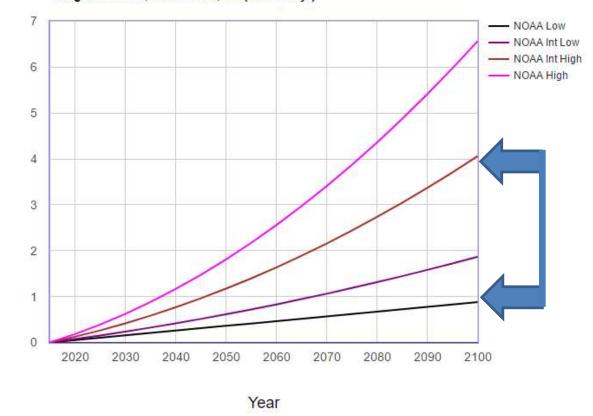
Estimated Relative Sea Level Change from 2015 To 2100

8665530, Charleston, SC NOAA's Published Rate: 0.01033 feet/yr All values are expressed in feet

Year	NOAA Low		NOAA Int High	NOAA High	
2015	0_0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
2020	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	
2025	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	
2030	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.6	
2035	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.9	
2040	0.3	0.4	0.8	1.2	
2045	0.3	0.5	1.0	1.5	
2050	0.4	0.6	1.2	1.8	
2055	0.4	0.7	1.4	2.2	
2060	0.5	8.0	1.6	2.6	
2065	0.5	0.9	1.9	3.0	
2070	0.6	1.1	2.2	3.4	
2075	0.6	1.2	2.4	3.9	
2080	0.7	1.3	2.7	4.4	
2085	0.7	1.4	3.0	4.9	
2090	0.8	1.6	3.4	5.4	
2095	0.8	1.7	3.7	6.0	
2100	0.9	1.9	4.1	6.6	
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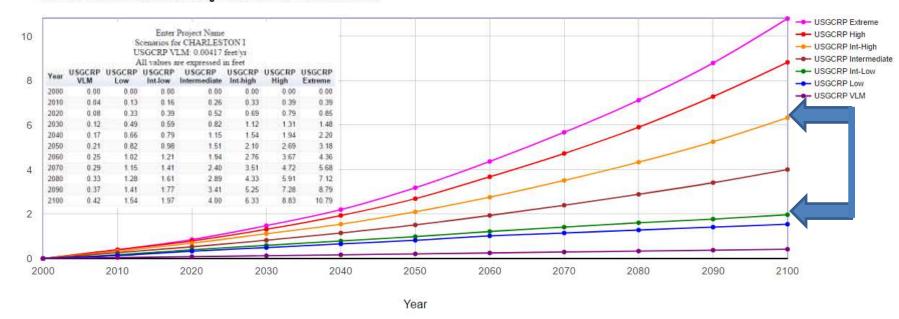
RSLC in feet

Estimated Relative Sea Level Change Projections From 2015 To 2100 - Gauge: 8665530, Charleston, SC (3.15 mm/yr)

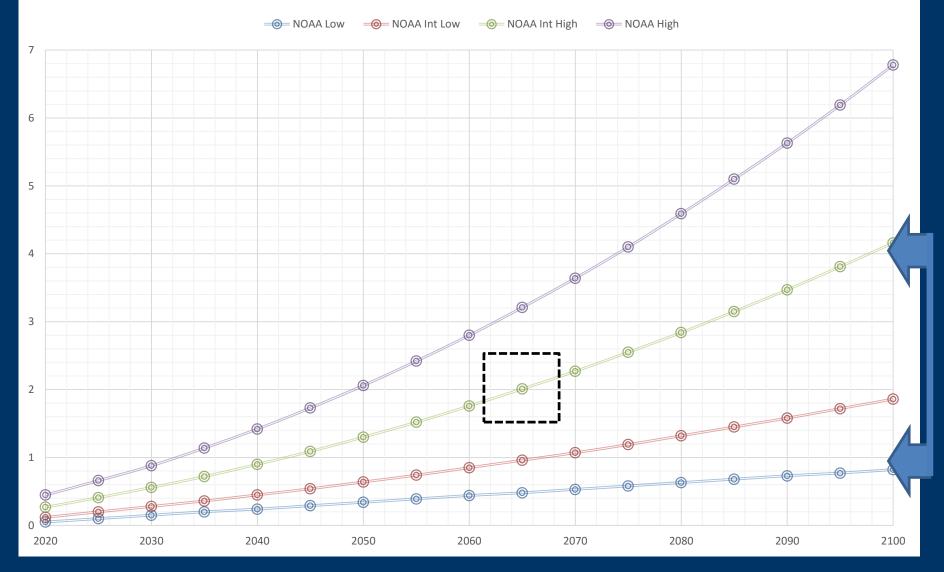


New Curves

USGCRP Relative Sea Level Change Scenarios for : CHARLESTON I

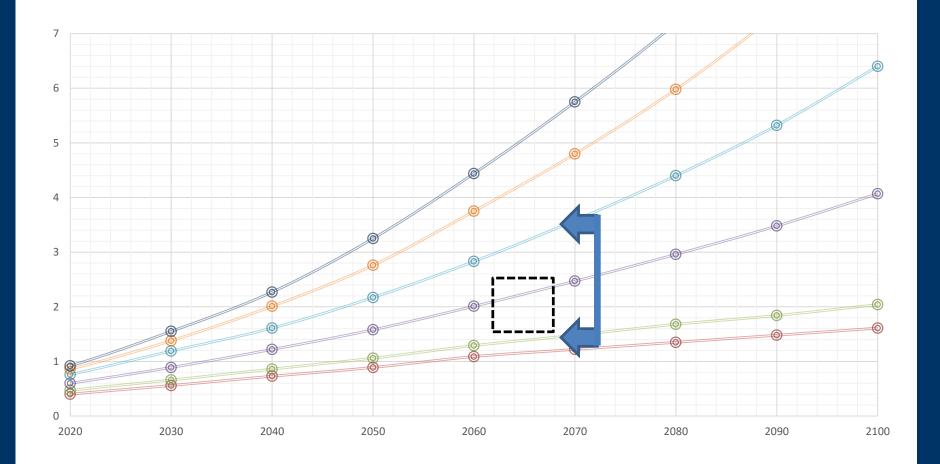


NCA3 Scenarios for Charleston, SC

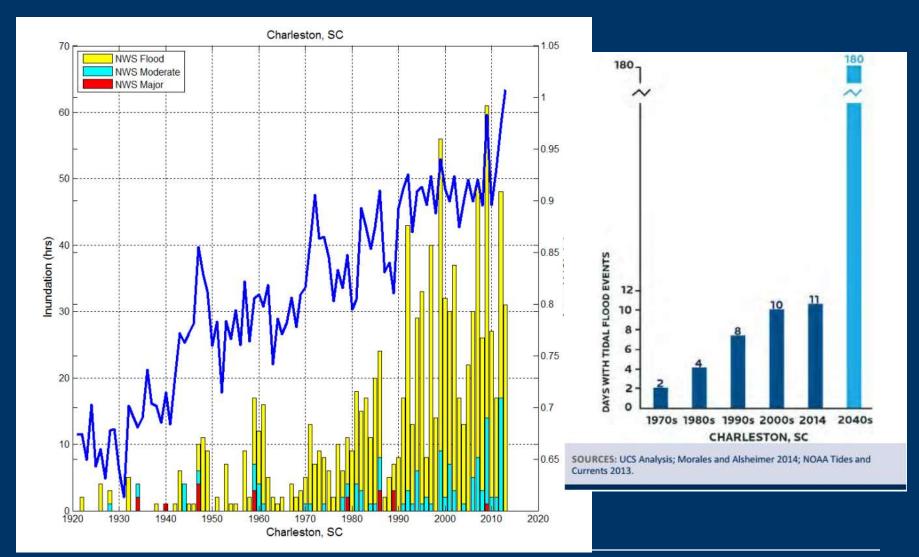


NCA4 Scenarios for Charleston, SC

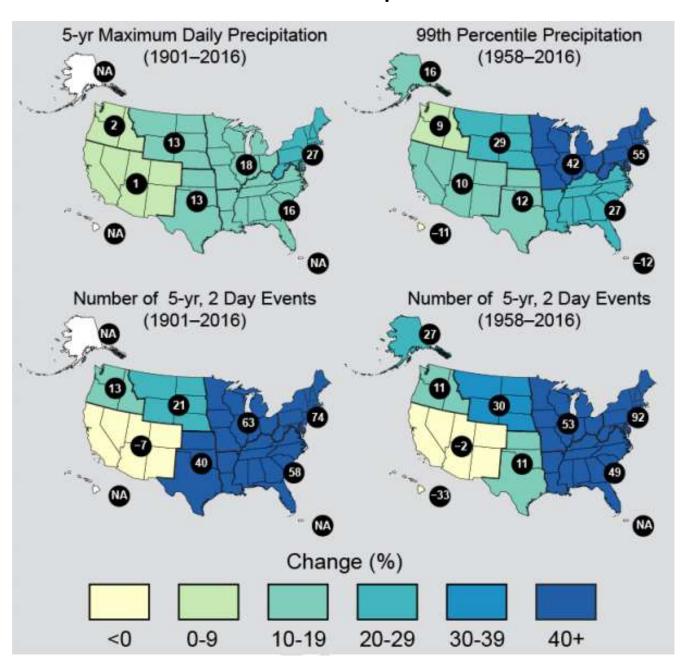




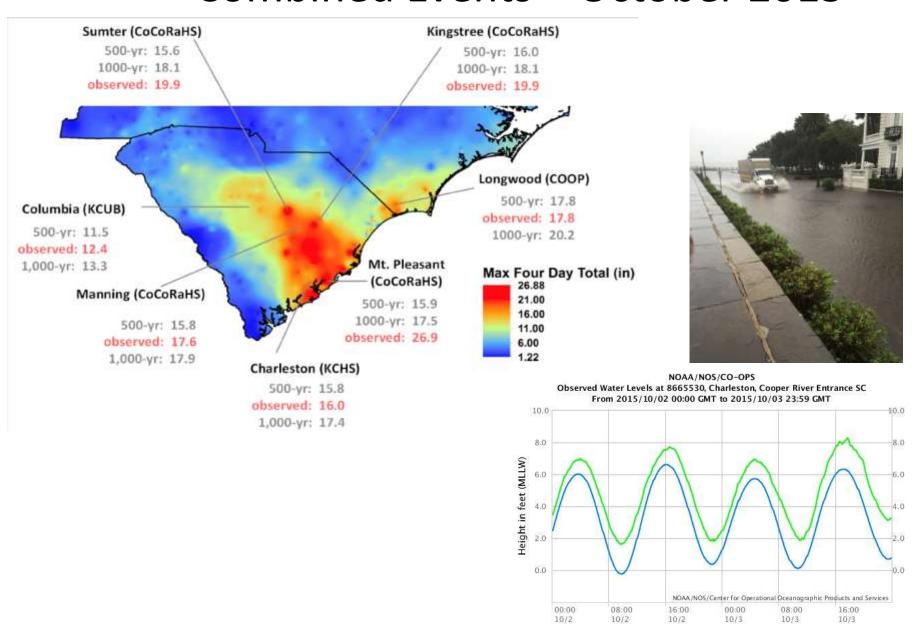
Increase in High Tide Flooding Events



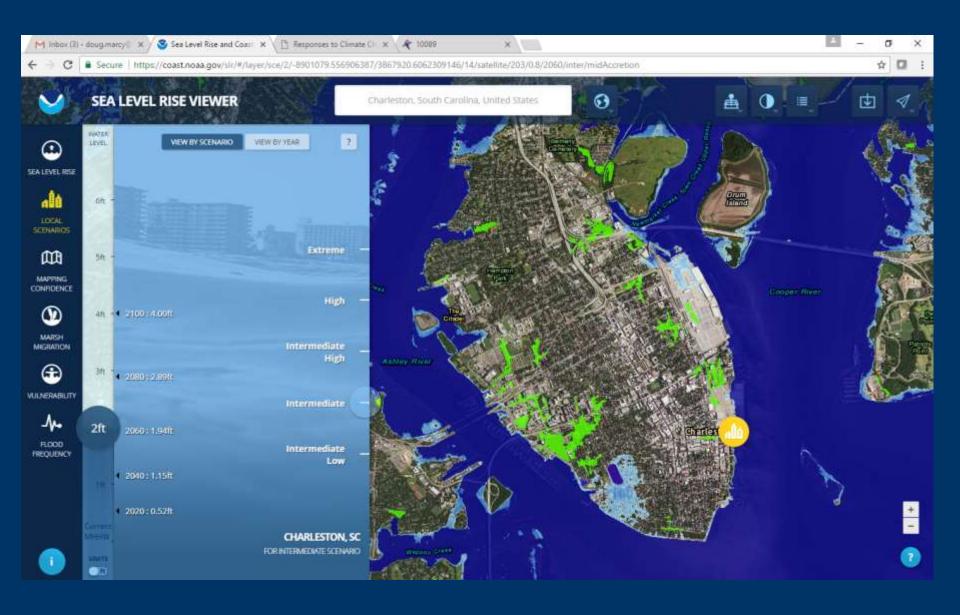
Extreme Precipitation

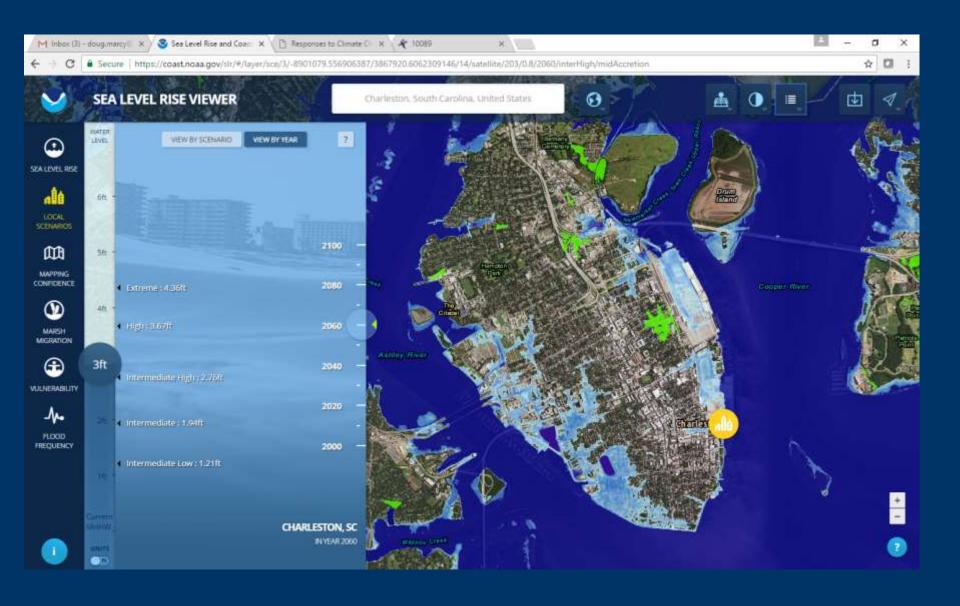


Combined Events – October 2015



Predictions — Verified — Preliminary — (Observed - Predicted)





"A state of denial can be a city's worst enemy."

- Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Climate of Hope





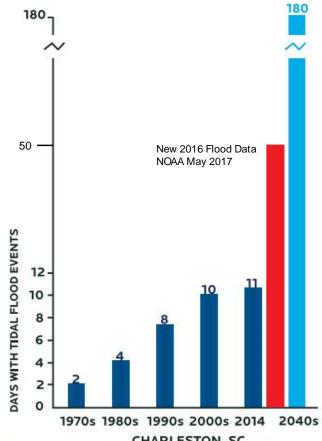
- 9 public art works & 10 free events focused on rising tides & flooding streets in Charleston, SC
- Began Saturday, April 26 with People's Climate Parade and concluded Saturday, June 10, 2017
- Guided by Steering Committee of scientists, artists, nonprofits, and organizations committed to addressing this issue





What are the projections?

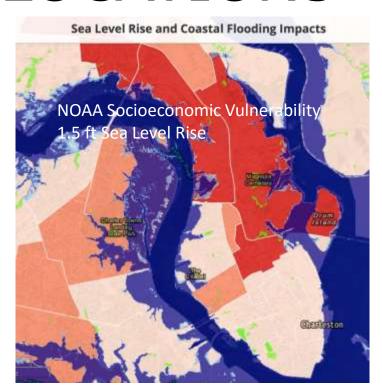


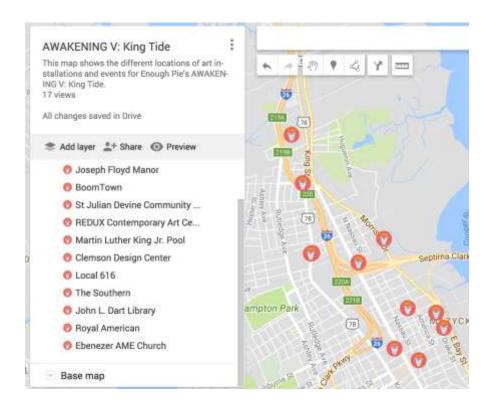


CHARLESTON, SC Figure 1: Days with Tidal Flooding Events, Charleston, SC



LOCATIONS









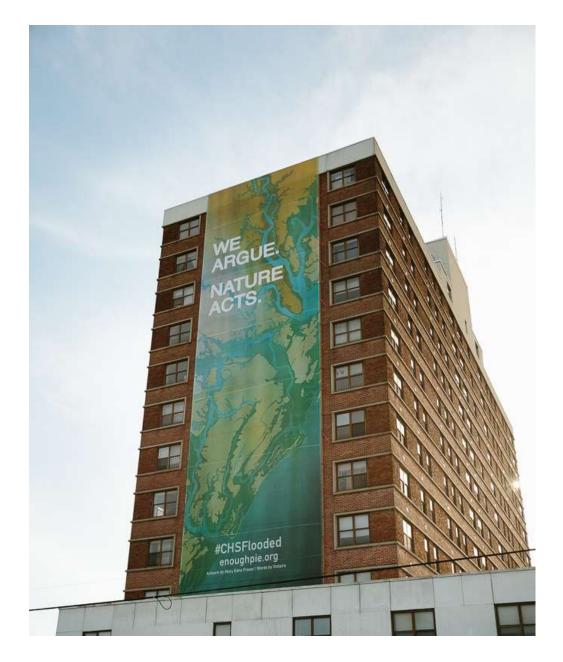




Joseph Floyd Manor

Over 500,000+ viewership* of Mary Edna Fraser's 100-foot banner on the Joseph Floyd Manor stating 'WE ARGUE. NATURE ACTS.'

* per SCDOT traffic data









Martin Luther King Jr. Pool (East Side) UNDER THE SEA MURALS & PLEDGE







BY 2100: 2 FOOT WAVE.

We have taken REAL action!

High tide will increase sea level rise by about 2 feet in 2100 if we take drastic measures to put light restrictions on heat-trapping gases.

As individuals, we use less gas, eat local, plant more trees, use less heating and air-conditioning, use our renewable energy from the sun and wind and choose energy-efficient devices.

As a community, we honor climate treaties, advocate for alternative transportation, and support smart development, zoning, and storm water management that reduces flood risk.

BY 2100: 4 FOOT WAVE.

We have taken SOME action.

This wave represents the impact of some melting glaciers plus the warming of our seas.

With moderate conservation, like burning less coal, driving more fuel-efficient cars, and generally consuming less, we might see 4 foot sea level rise. At this height, we have not taken the major steps necessary to reduce heat-trapping gases.

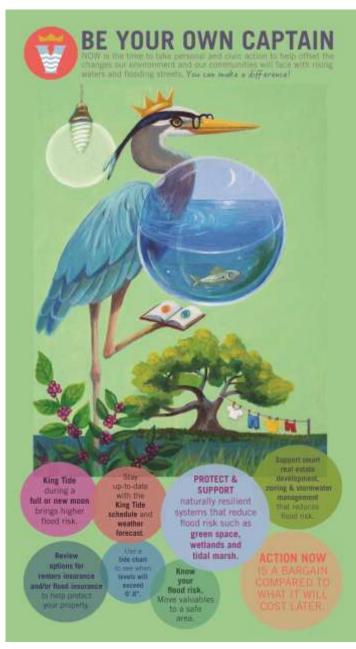
BY 2100: 7 FOOT WAVE

We have taken LITTLE action.

Whoa! This wave represents our lack of action as individuals and as a community.

Our lives and our consumption have not changed and thus the earth has warmed approximately 7 degrees by 2100. More and more heat-trapping gases have been released into the atmosphere causing the melting of land-based ice and the rising of the seas.





20,000+ takeaways distributed

Illustrated by local artist Lisa Shimko

Personal, community and civic actions outlined





Survey Collection



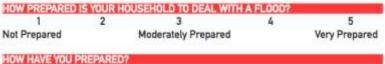


SHORT SURVEY



HOW HAS FLOODING AFFECTED YOUR LIFE? (Circle all that apply)

- A. Damaged your property or home
- B. Made you late for an appointment or work
- C. Limited your ability to walk, drive or bicycle in your community
- D. Flooding has not affected me personally



WHAT ACTIONS WILL YOU TAKE TO REDUCE YOUR FLOOD RISK? (Circle one)

- A. Plant a rain garden
- B. Adopt a storm drain in your community
- C. Reduce impervious (concrete or asphalt) surfaces in your yard
- D. Purchase flood insurance
- E. Elevate or relocate your home
- F. Share information about flooding with friends and family

HOW INFORMED WERE YOU ABOUT CHARLESTON FLOODS BEFORE THIS EVENT?

Not Prepared Moderately Prepared Very Prepared

WHAT DID YOU LEARN AT TODAY'S EVENT?

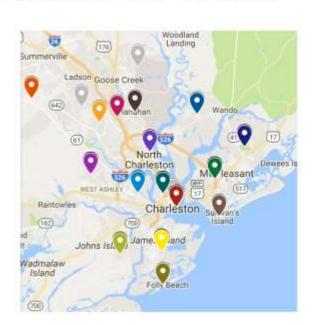
MY STREET NAME & ZIP CODE

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING. enoughpie.org



AWAKENING V SURVEY ZIP CODES

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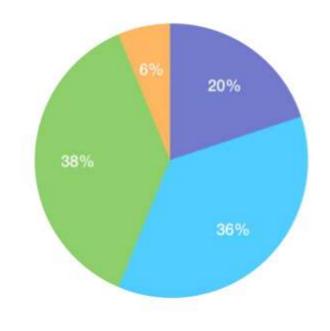




Flood Affects

Question: How has flooding affected your life?

- Limited my ability to walk, drive or bicyle in my community - 38%
- Made me late for an appointment or work - 36%
- 3. Damaged my property or home 20%
- Flooding has not affected me personally - 6%

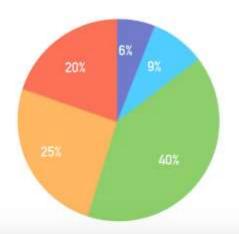




Informed vs. Prepared

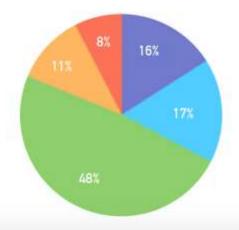
How informed were you about Charleston floods before this event?

- 1. Not Informed 6%
- 2. Somewhat Informed 9%
- 3. Moderately Informed 40%
- 4. Informed 25%
- 5. Very Informed 20%



How prepared is your household to deal with a flood?

- 1. Not Prepared 16%
- 2. Somewhat Prepared 17%
- 3. Moderately Prepared 48%
- 4. Prepared 11%
- 5. Very Prepared 8%

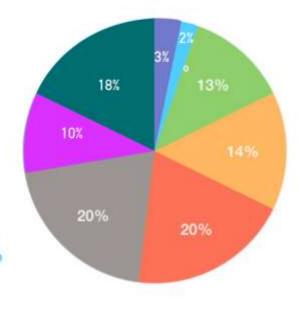




Flood Preparation

Question: How have you prepared? Open ended questions were gathered and sorted into categories.

- 1 Live Above 1st Floor 20%
- 2. Prepare Supplies 20%
- 3. Retrofit Home 18%
- 4. Insurance 14%
- 5. Gather Information 13%
- 6. Relocate 10%
- 7. Clean Storm Drains 3%
- 8. Environmental Conservation 2%

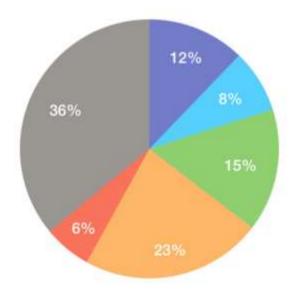




Citizen Action

Question: What actions will you take to reduce your flood risk?

- Share information about flooding with friends & family - 36%
- 2. Purchase flood insurance 23%
- 3. Reduce impervious surfaces in my yard 15%
- 4. Plant a rain garden 12%
- 5. Adopt a storm drain in my community 8%
- 6. Elevate or relocate my home 6%

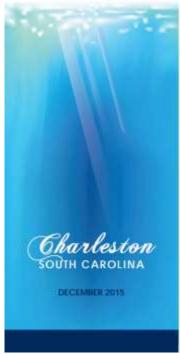




- 1. Support Sea Level Rise Strategy
- 2. Increase Capacity















3. Enhance outreach & education







- 4. Improve infrastructure to accommodate water
 - 5. Re-think development in flood-prone areas







6. Influence the future











STEERING COMMITTEE

Biohabitats and SC Audubon Society, Dr. Jessica Hardesty Norris

Charleston Resilience Network

CharlestonGOOD, Jacara Chas

Charleston Moves, Katie Zimmerman

Charleston Waterkeeper, Andrew Wunderly

City of Charleston Planning Department, Carolee Williams

Coastal Conservation League, Emily Cedzo

CULTIVATE and **College of Charleston Grice Marine Lab**, Dr. Bobbie Lyon

Davis & Floyd, Jared Bramblett

Enough Pie, Cathryn Zommer, Bennett Jones and Kate Nevin

Historic Charleston Foundation, Erika Hoffman

NOAA, Dr. Mary Culver

Robinson Design Engineers, Joshua Robinson

SC Department of Environmental Control, Dan Burger

SC Sea Grant Consortium, Dr. Liz Fly

University of SC Center for Science Education, Dr. Merrie Koester

South Carolina Aquarium, Albert George & Kelly Thorvalson

Artists Mary Edna Fraser, Kris Westerson, Cecelia Dailey, and

John Duckworth









IT WILL TAKE A VILLAGE.



ACTION NOW IS A BARGAIN COMPARED TO WHAT IT WILL COST LATER.



PROCESS

- Start with Sea Level Rise Strategy
- Jan June (6 months 10 meetings)
- Process 76 Initiatives
 - Work through each one/validate/ongoing/\$
 - Goal was 2018 budget inputs made it!

WHAT DID WE LEARN?

- Resilience is a continuum (individual, neighborhood, city)
- Lots already going on to build Resilience
- Lots outside our control i.e. roads & bridges!
- Need solutions integrated response verses independent actions.
- Regional solutions will be essential!
- Starts with the City of Charleston.

RESULTS

- Make Charleston Resilient for the Future Plan and Adapt (60 years + start today)
- Four Major Categories
 - Staff Leadership (Ready)
 - Infrastructure & Regulations (Reinvest)
 - Land Use Planning (Ready)
 - Adapting for the Day to Day (Respond)

RECOMMENDATIONS

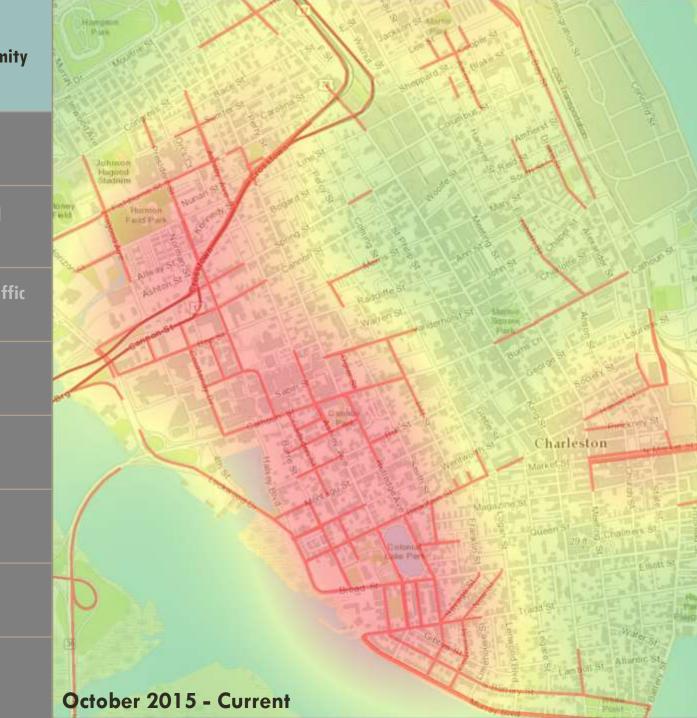
- Chief Resilience Officer Resilience Leadership
- Vulnerability Assessment First to a solution
- Invest in adaptation
 - Personnel & resources
 - New & expanding technology
 - Creative and adaptive community
 - Whole community
 - Flexible and scalable

USING DATA TO DRIVE DECISION-MAKING

Using data to identify areas with the greatest potential impact from Sea Level Rise

- Sea Level Rise Prediction Model data
- FEMA Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs)
- Recent Road Closure data
- Critical Infrastructure & Historical Assets Exposure
- Traffic Counts

Too important and costly to leave to intuition or the "squeaky wheel"



Road Closure (Flooding)
Density based on Proximity
and Frequency

Sea Level Rise

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Sea Level Rise and Road Closure Density

SCDOT Annual Daily Traffic Counts 2015

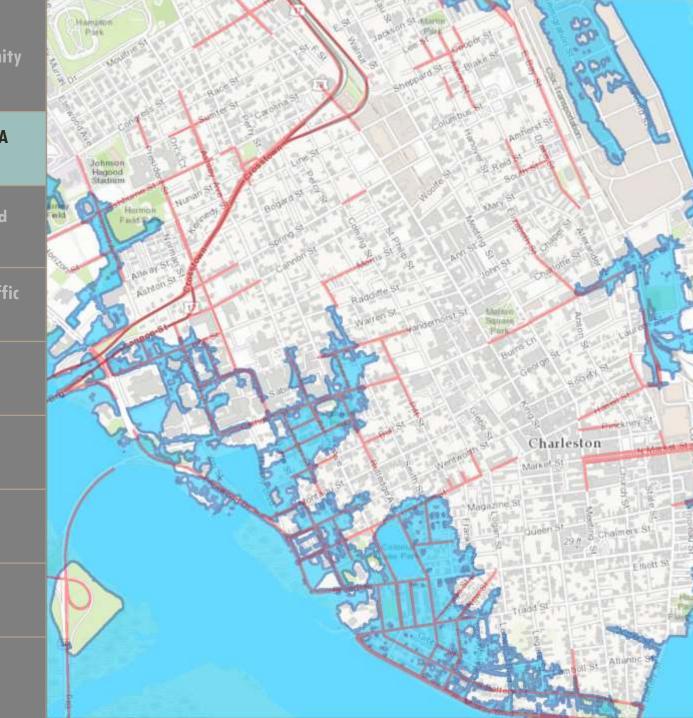
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Peninsula Storm Water
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Density based on Proximity and Frequency

Sea Level Rise (2.5' NOAA

Predicted)

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Sea Level Rise and Road
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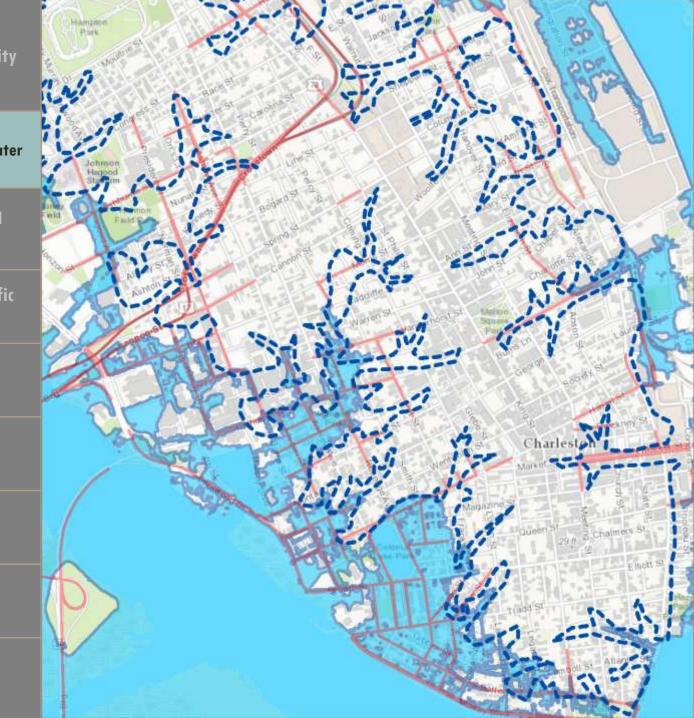
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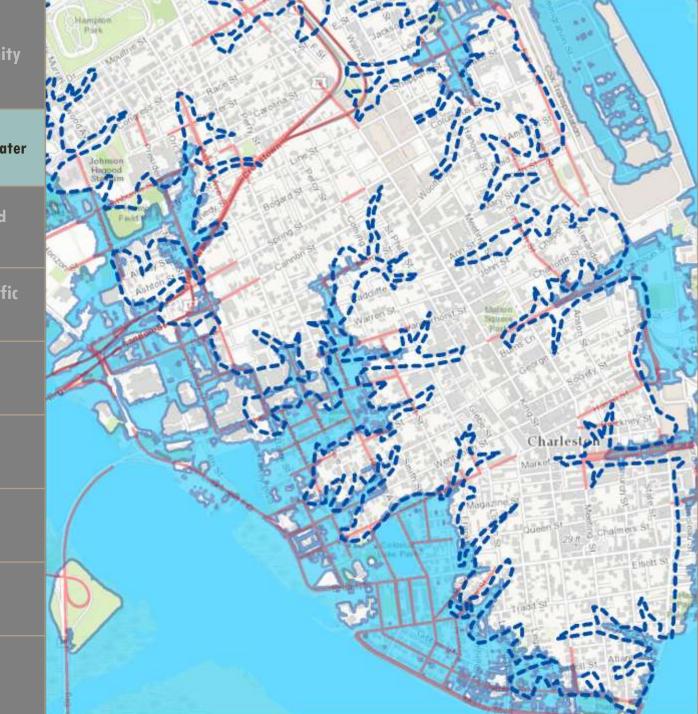
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Sea Level Rise (3.0' NOAA Predicted & Original High Water Mark)

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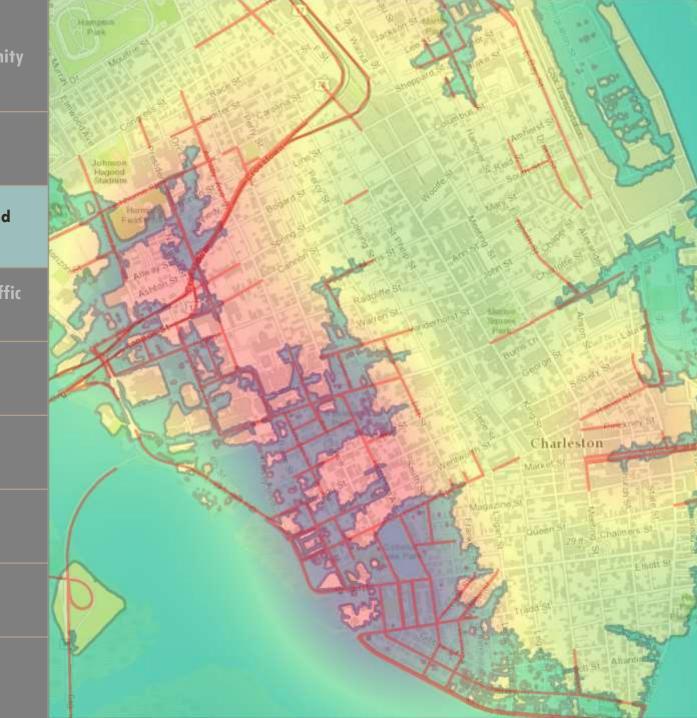
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Peninsula Storm Water Projects

> 100 Year Flood Zone **Exposure Analysis**

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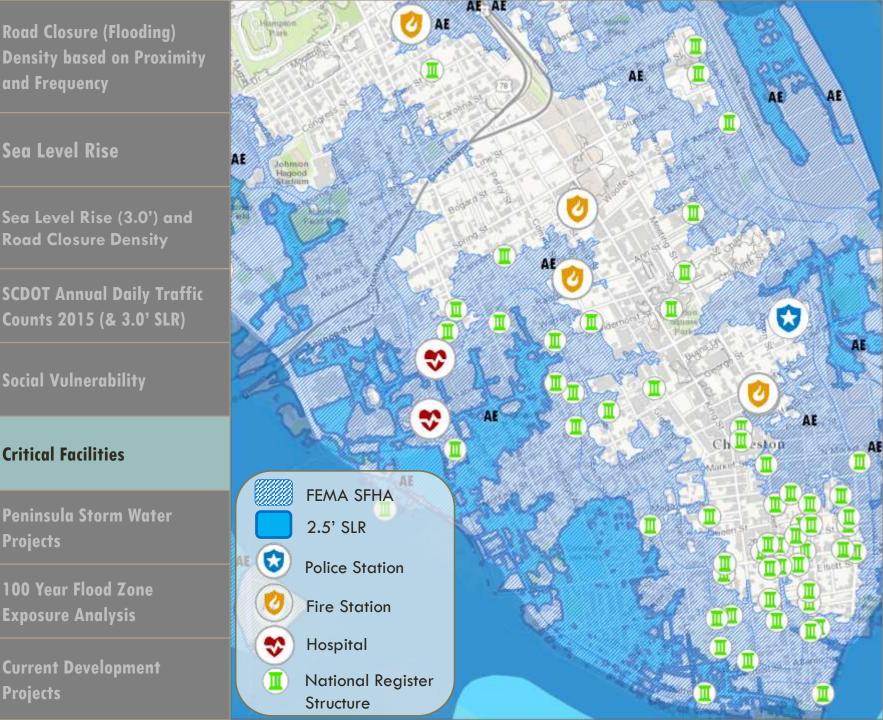
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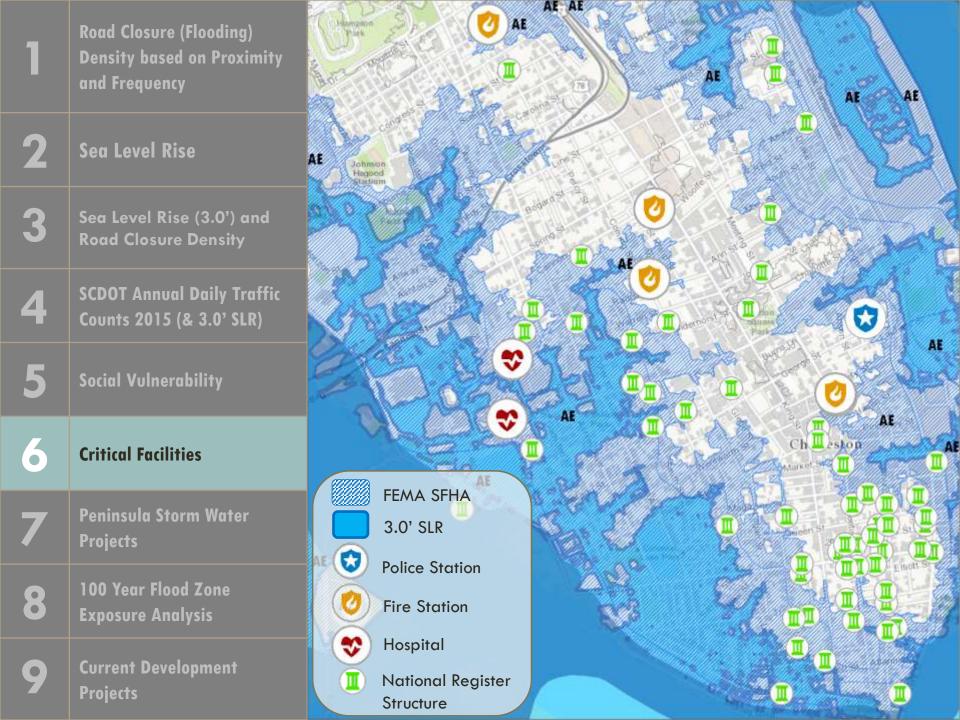
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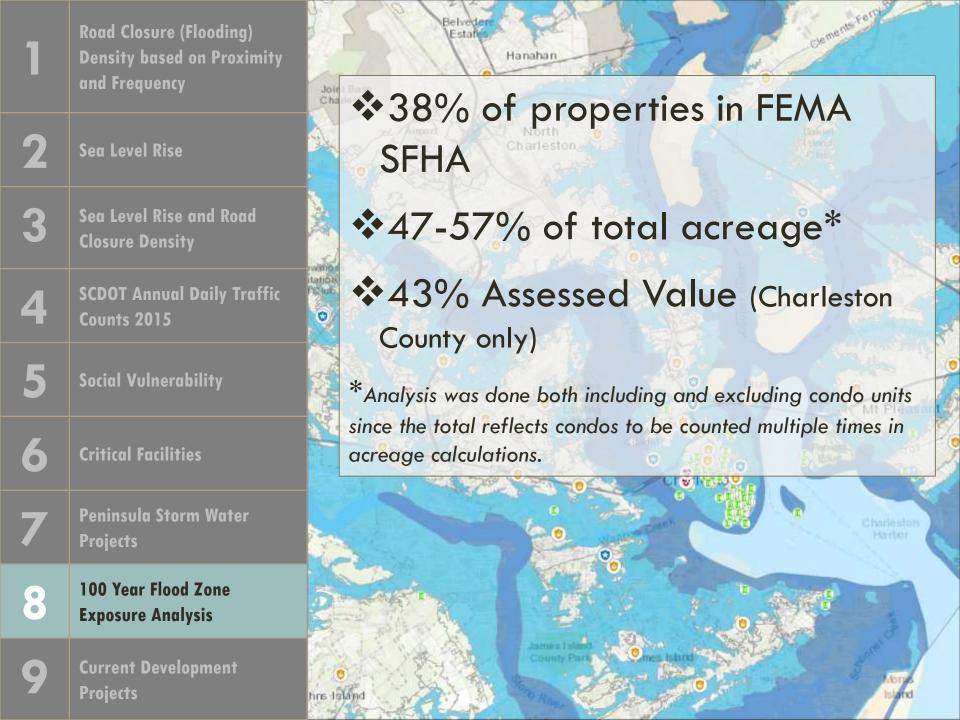
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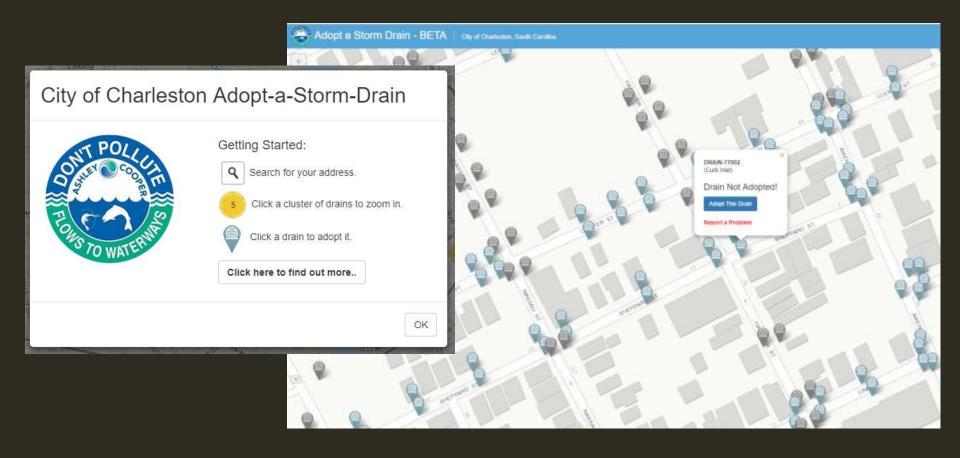








ADOPT-A-DRAIN PROGRAM



NEXT STEPS

Community input to better understand the needs and concerns of our citizens

Vulnerability Analysis

CITY OF CHARLESTON RESILIENCE VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS

VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS — OURS TO SHAPE.

- Threats and Hazards
 - Flooding, hurricanes, earthquakes, sea level rise, heat etc.
- City wide Assets
 - City owned facilities, commercial and residential property, bridges, roads, critical infrastructure etc.
- Vulnerability = (Potential Impact to Assets from Threats- Adaptive Capacity)
- Risks = probability and consequence (high to low)

CITY OF CHARLESTON RESILIENCE

Vulnerability Analysis Staff Leadership
Land Use Planning
Infrastructure
Adaptation
Strategies

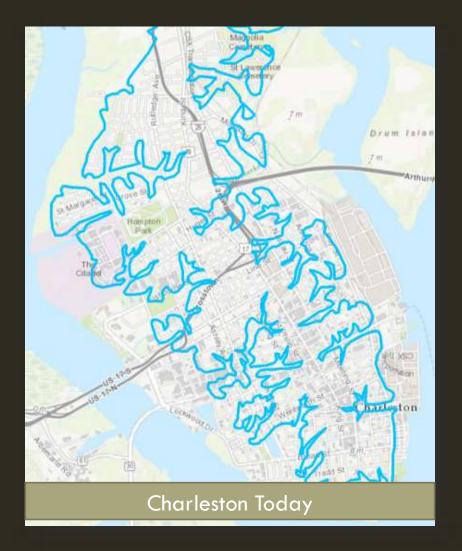
City of Charleston Resilience Plan

"You must have a solution – not just a collection of widgets"

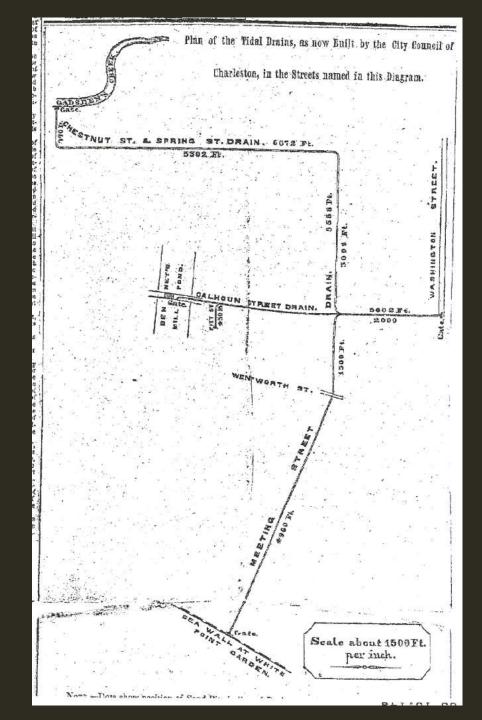
CHARLESTON GEOGRAPHY



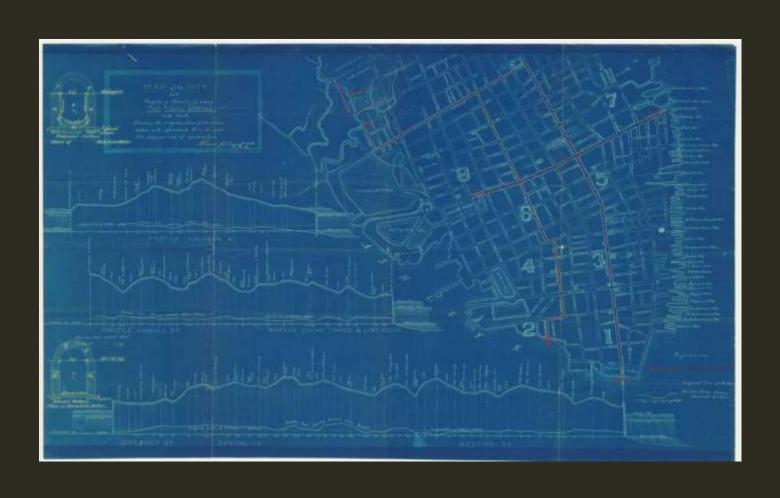
Original High Tide Water Lines



JUNE 1,1859 PLAN OF NEW
TIDAL DRAINS AS NOW BUILT BY
THE CITY COUNCIL OF
CHARLESTON

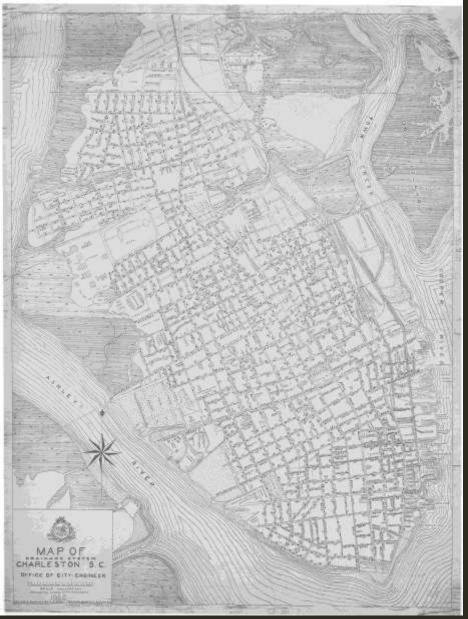


1878 MAP OF TIDAL DRAINS



Interconnected network of undersized pipes and drains





RAINFALL FLOODING



CITY MARKET RAINFALL FLOODING



OCTOBER 2015 FLOOD EVENT



TIDAL FLOODING



HURRICANE MATTHEW OCTOBER 2016





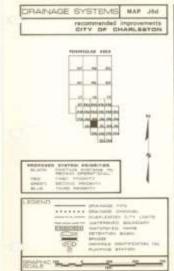
1984 MASTER DRAINAGE AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN

MASTER DRAINAGE and FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN 1985 — 2005



City of Charleston

DAVIS & FLOYD, INC.







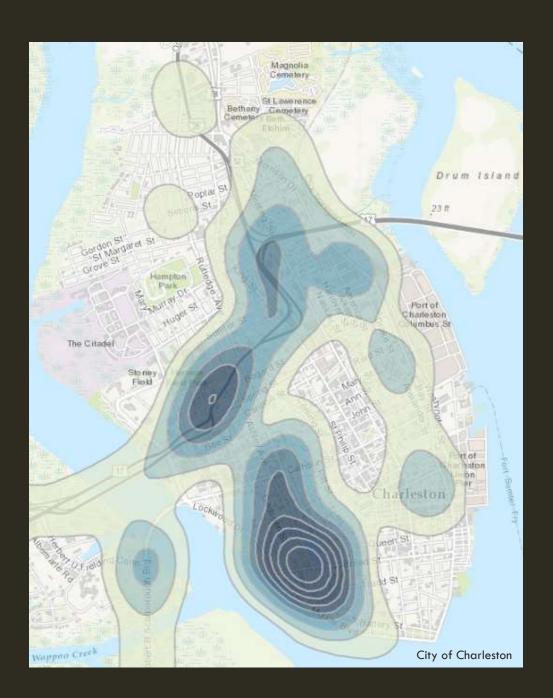


MAJOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



ROAD CLOSURES DURING OCTOBER 2015 RAINFALL EVENT

We are working our plan





GRAVITY, CAPACITY AND STORAGE



Ardmore Drainage Improvements

Completed 2005

11 acres of detention ponds

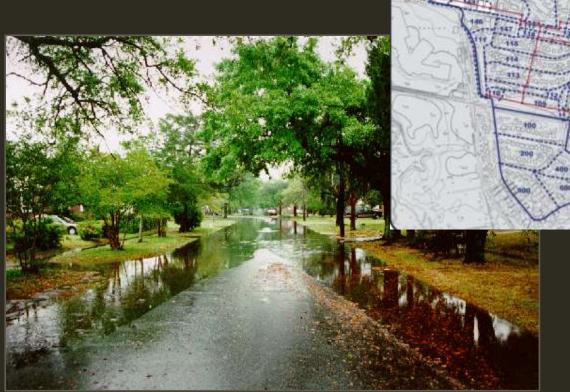
5x9.5 and dual 5x8 box culverts

\$5,048,000



GRAVITY, CAPACITY AND STORAGE

Byrnes Down
Completed 2007
\$6,683,561



- 10,000 If of box culvert and pipes
- Largest box culverts
 were 4x7 and 5x6 ft.



GRAVITY, CAPACITY AND STORAGE





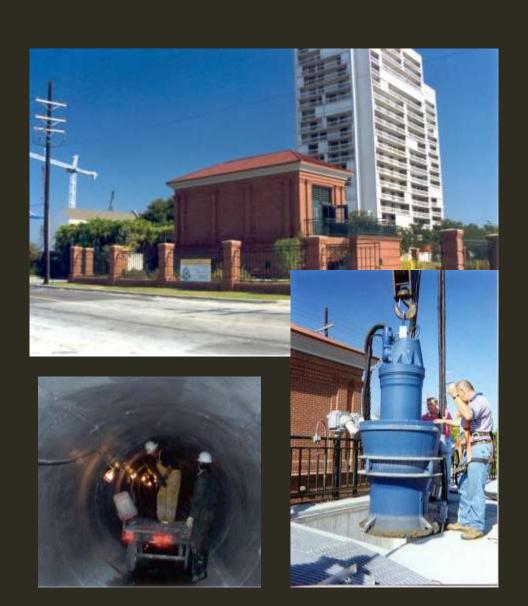




Calhoun East (Calhoun, East Bay and Meeting Streets)

Complete 2001, 5,000 ft of 10 ft and 6 ft diameter tunnels

Cost approximately \$16,000,000





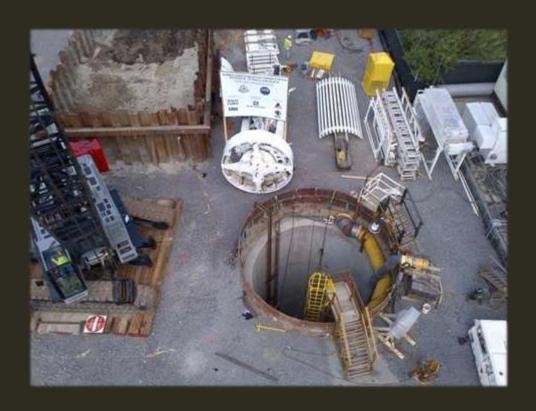
Market Drainage Improvement

2 phases of construction complete for \$18.5 million

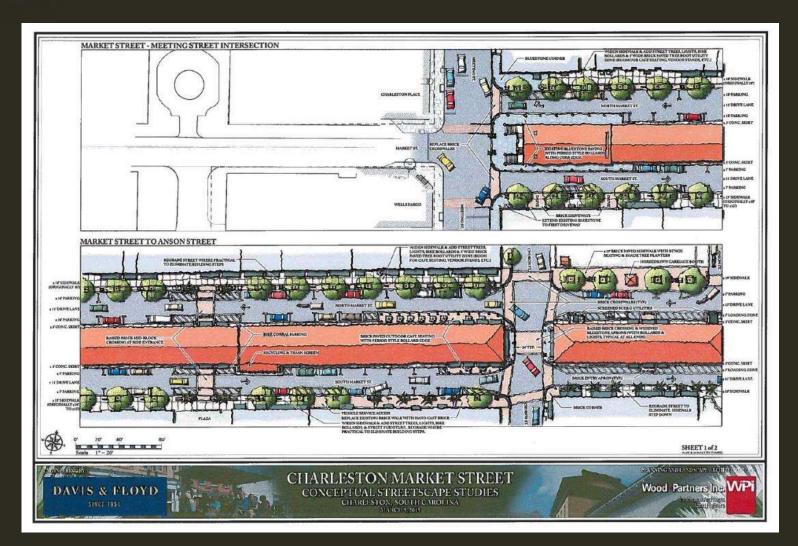
4,000 ft 10 ft diameter tunnels

Division III Surface work to commence in 2018

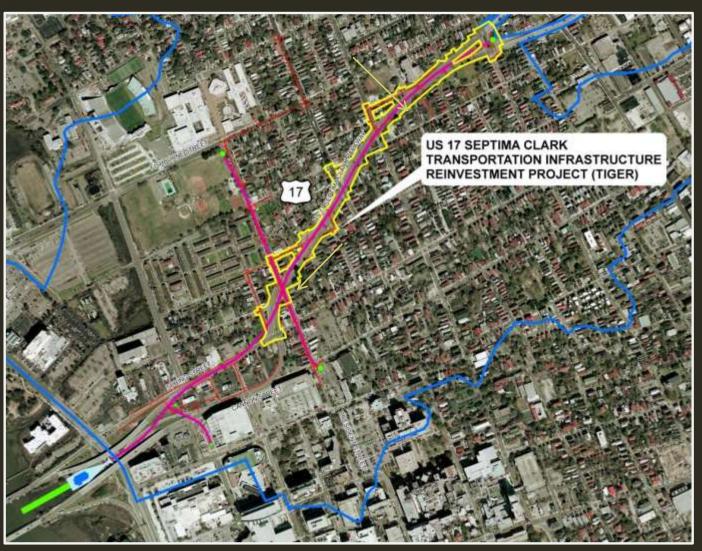
Estimated cost to complete is \$8 million



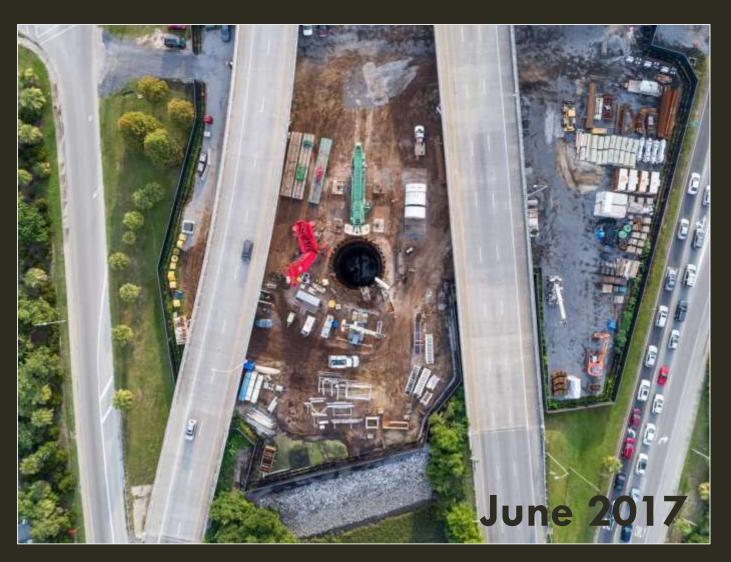








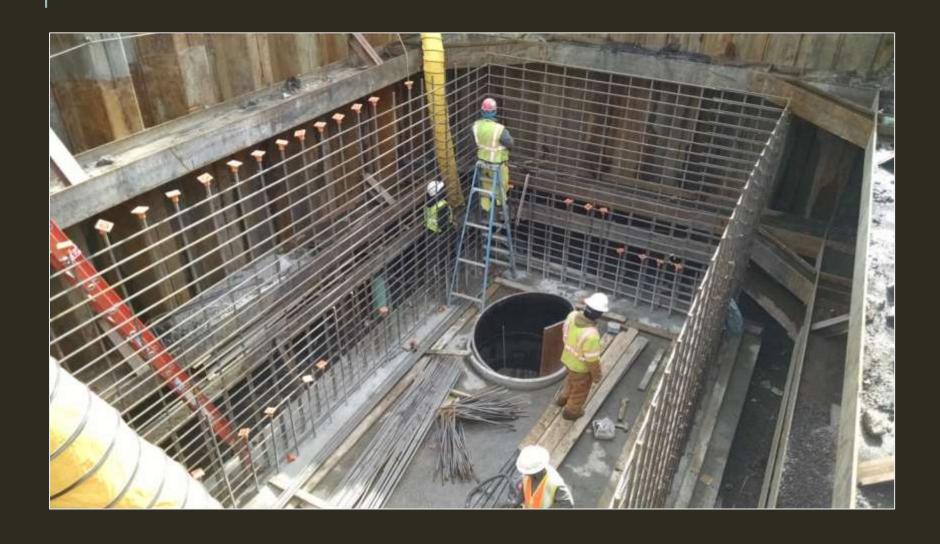
SPRING FISHBURNE LOCKWOOD SHAFT



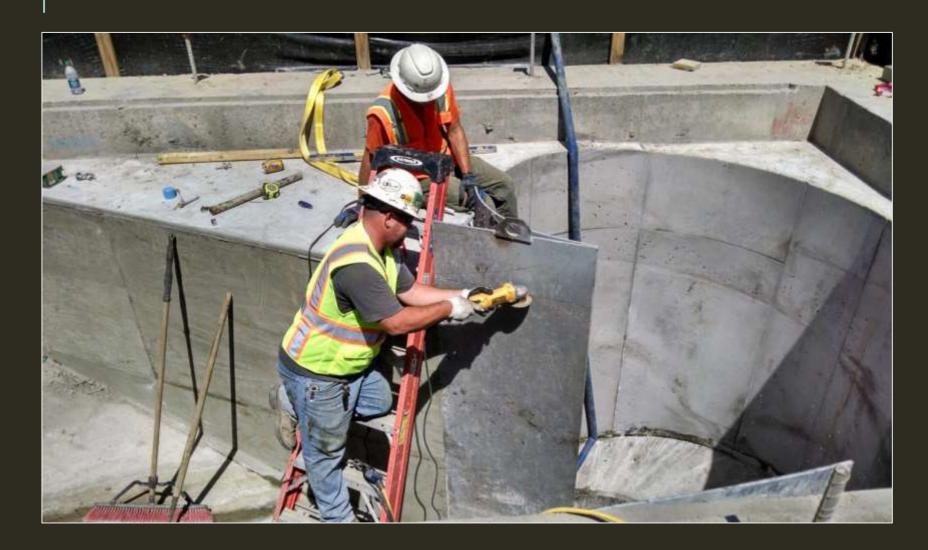
SPRING FISHBURNE TBM



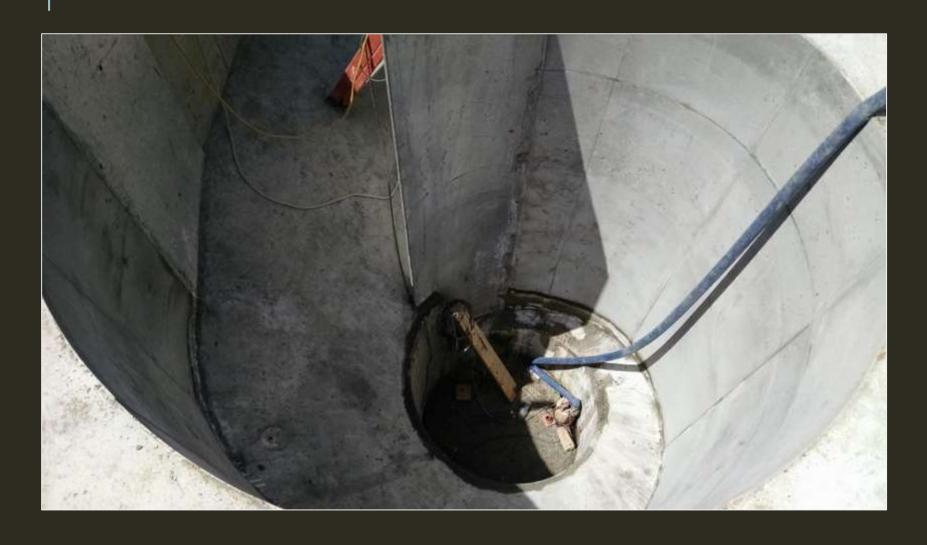
SPRING FISHBURNE DROP SHAFT



SPRING/FISHBURNE VORTEX BOX



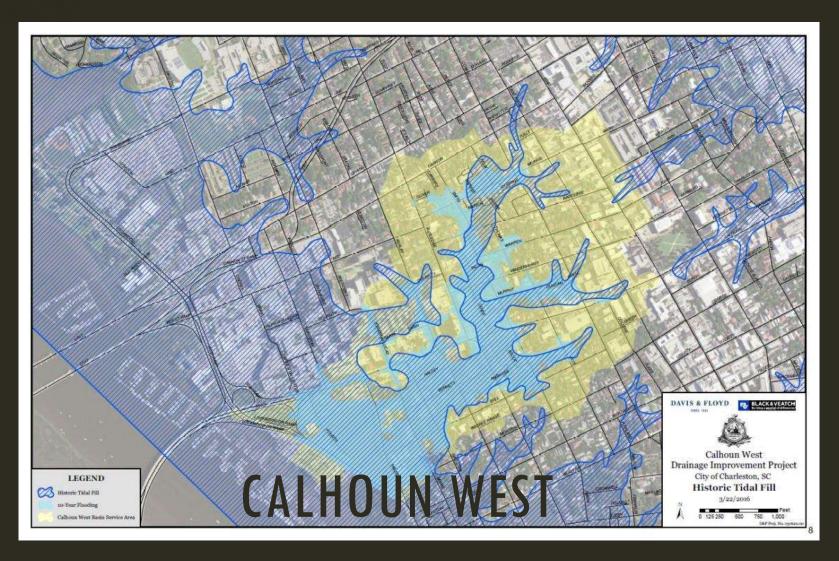
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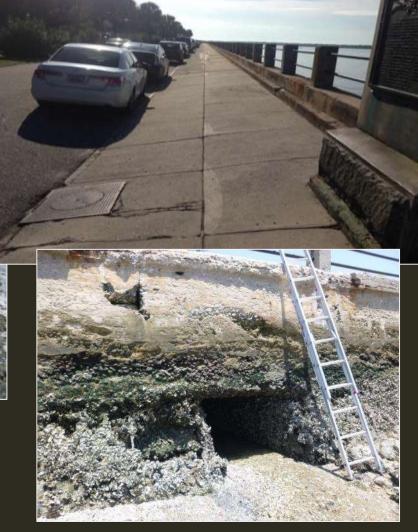
RAISING ROADS, ARMORING AND WALLS



Oct 3, 2015 11 inches of rain and highest tides since Hugo

RAISING ROADS, ARMORING AND WALLS





BATTLEGROUND ROAD ARMORING



REGULATIONS

- Individual watershed analysis
- Updated development standards
- Green infrastructure
- Buyouts and elevation projects
- Adopt a drain
- Increased awareness of flood risk
- Hiring a dedicated floodplain manager

FUNDING

- 2 mil assessment dedicated to drainage (1990)
- Leveraged \$9M bond in 1990
- FEMA Mitigation Grant Hugo \$2.3 million
- SCDOT Funding \$1.5M for Calhoun/East Bay
- Stormwater Utility established 1994 (\$6.00 per ERU or about \$6.5 million per year)

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Ardmore $5,000,000

Calhoun East $16,000,000

Byrnes Down $6,000,000

Byrnes Pishburne $154,000,000

Spring | Fishburne $30,000,000
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FUNDING

- * \$110.5M grants and contributions awarded
 - \$10M ARRA TIGER Grant
 - \$12.5 50/50 Match from SCDOT/FHA
 - **❖** \$88M SIB
- Balance from the Gateway TIF
- Additional 2 mil dedicated to drainage beginning in 2016 (\$2.2 million per year)
- Possible USACOE funding

\$238,000,000 CAPITAL INVESTMENT BETWEEN 1990 AND 2020

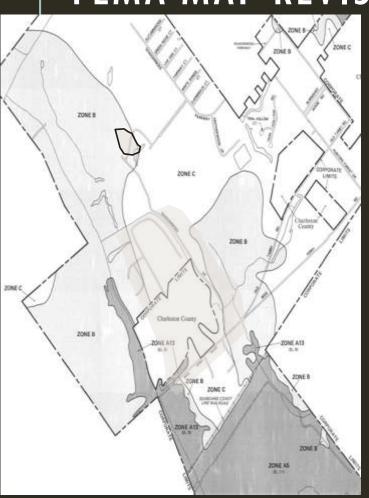
- * \$107M Complete
- * \$50M Under contract for design and construction
- * \$Additional \$81M Funded

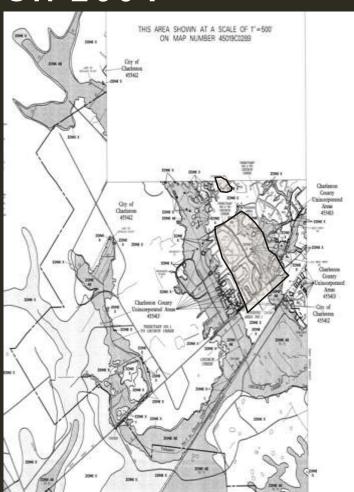
*\$\\$4.1 \ 2016 Maintenance Budget

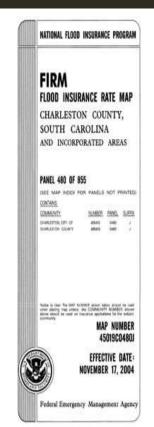
FINAL COMMENTS

- Some areas won't be improved by engineering
- Project would adversely affect more than it would help or cost more than the properties it would effect
- Maintenance would be excessive
- Other opportunities for buyouts, elevation and risk awareness

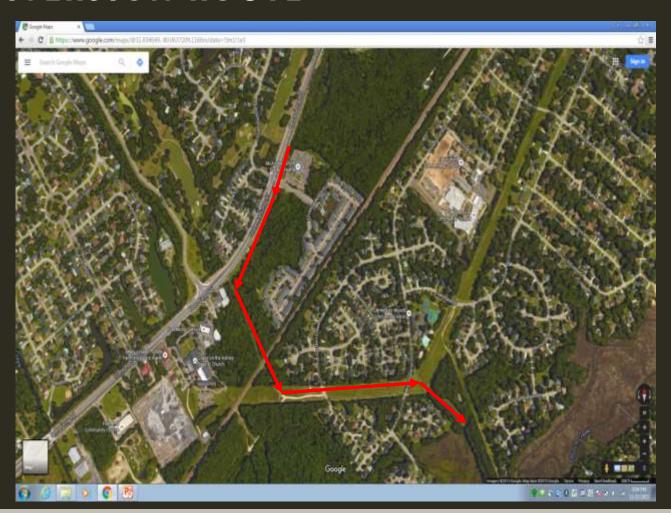
FEMA MAP REVISION 2004







DIVERSION ROUTE



ALTERNATIVE 2C

- 1700' of 8' x 4' box culvert
- Bore and Jack box culvert under CSX railroad
- Multiple County road crossings
- New drainage infrastructure in SCDOT and SCE&G ROW
- Twin 48" RCP culvert abandonment
- ♦ 10' x 3' box culvert under drainage ditch
- 5600' of diversion channel
- >1 acre of wetlands conversion
- Upgraded spillway and outfall through old sludge lagoon

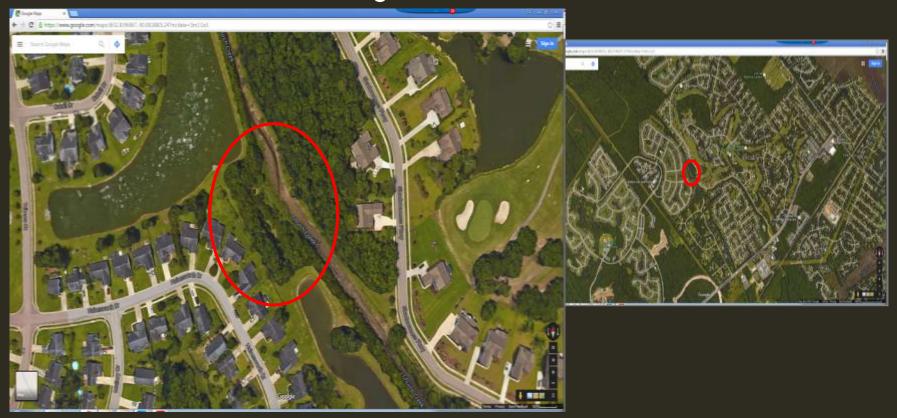


ALTERNATIVE 2C



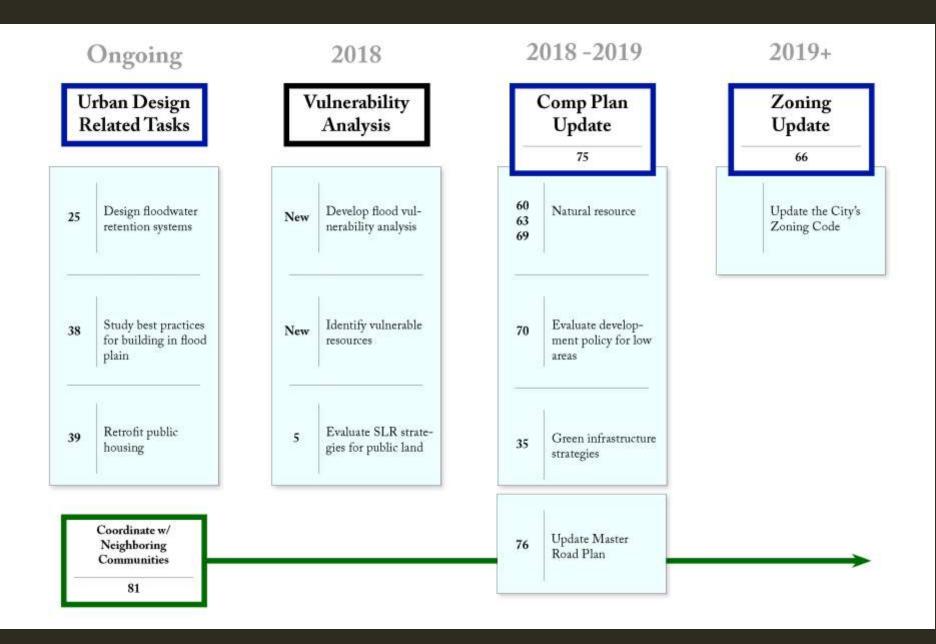
ALTERNATIVE 5

Overflow flood storage from main stem



BRIDGEPOINT RELIEF CULVERT





CITY OF CHARLESTON RESILIENCE LIVING WITH WATER - ADAPTING

- Increased flooding = increased strain
- Police, Public Service, Fire, GIS, PIO
 - Police
 - Overtime
 - Barricades
 - Fire
 - Unique equipment
 - Specialized training
 - Public Service
 - Drain cleaning and clearing
 - Community Outreach and Messaging
 - New technologies
 - GIS, PIO etc.